Natchitoches City Council will have a pre-council meeting beginning at 5:00 p.m. and ending at 5:30 p.m. to discuss non-agenda items. The City Council meeting will begin promptly at 5:30 p.m. on the second and fourth Monday of each month and will be reserved to only items on the Agenda. The public is invited to both the pre-council meetings and council meetings with the understanding that items not on the agenda will not be discussed at the scheduled council meetings, but the public is welcome to discuss any topic at the pre-council meetings. The City Council Meetings are held at the Natchitoches Arts Center located at 716 Second Street, Natchitoches, Louisiana.

NATCHITOCHES CITY COUNCIL MEETING **FEBRUARY 9, 2015** 5:30 P.M.

AGENDA

- CALL TO ORDER 1.
- INVOCATION 2.
- PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE 3.
- READING AND APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF JANUARY 26, 2015
- PROCLAMATION: 5.

Resolution Proclaiming The Month Of February 2015 As African American History Month In The City Of Natchitoches Payne #008

<u>ORDINANCES – FINAL:</u> 6.

Ordinance Amending The 2014-2015 Budget To Reflect Stamey #004 Additional Revenues And Expenditures.

Ordinance Authorizing The Mayor Of The City Of Natchitoches #<u>007</u> Morrow

To Award The Bid For The Rehabilitation Of The City Pool

(Bid No. 0560)

Ordinance Authorizing The Mayor Of The City Of Natchitoches Nielsen #008

To Award The Bid For The Electric Distribution Extension Along

La 478 To I-49 (Bid No. 0561)

ANNOUNCEMENTS: The next scheduled City Council meeting will be February 23, 2015.

The offices of the City of Natchitoches will be closed Monday, February

16, 2015 in honor of President's Day.

ADJOURMENT:

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance, please contact the City Clerk's Office at (318) 352-2772 describing the assistance that is necessary.

If you wish to address the Council, please complete the "Request to Address City Council" form located on the entrance table.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NATCHITOCHES, STATE OF LOUISIANA, REGULAR MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2015 AT 5:30 P.M.

The City Council of the City of Natchitoches met in legal and regular session at the Natchitoches Arts Center, 716 Second Street, Natchitoches, Louisiana on Monday, February 9, 2015 at 5:30 p.m.

There were present:

Mayor Lee Posey Councilman At Large Don Mims, Jr. Councilman Dale Nielsen Councilman Larry Payne Councilman David Stamey Councilwoman Sylvia Morrow

Guests: None

Absent: None

Mayor Lee Posey called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone for coming. Michael Braxton was asked to lead the invocation and Councilman Nielsen was asked to lead the pledge of allegiance.

Mayor Posey then called for the reading and approval of the minutes for the January 26, 2015 meeting. Mr. Mims moved that we dispense with the reading of the minutes and approval of same. Seconded by Mr. Stamey. The roll call vote was as follows:

Ayes:

Payne, Nielsen, Mims, Stamey, Morrow

Nays:

None None

Absent:
Abstain:

None

The following ordinance was introduced by Mr. Stamey and seconded by Mr. Payne as follows to wit:

ORDINANCE NO. 004 OF 2015

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2014-2015 BUDGET TO REFLECT ADDITIONAL REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES

WHEREAS, Louisiana Statute (R.S. 39: 1310-1311) requires that the City amend its operating budgets when fund balance is being budgeted, and there is a 5% unfavorable variance in revenues or expenditures.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the budget be amended to reflect these additional revenues and expenditures as follows:

_	2014-15 Original Budget	Increase/ Decrease	2014-15 Amended Budget
Fund 027: Prisoner Bond Release			
027-0000-446-02-00 Bond Fee 027-0000-481-00-00 Miscellaneous Income 027-0000-591-40-02 Travel/Per Diem/Hotel	14,000 - 7,000	6,000 1,000 7,000	20,000 1,000 14,000
Fund 054: Cane River Green Market			
054-0000-431-14-00 Market Umbrella 054-0000-431-15-00 Market Match 054-0000-481-23-00 Token Sales 054-0000-591-35-35 Advertising 054-0000-591-10-09 Part Time	1,500 3,000 1,260	1,200 1,000 1,500 2,500 1,200	1,200 1,000 3,000 5,500 2,460
Fund 056: Main Street Promotions			
056-0000-432-09-00 State Grant 056-0000-591-40-14 Grants Match	-	39,066 36,500	39,066 36,500
Fund 091: Economic Development Districts			
091-0000-591-90-51 Improvements Buildings & Grounds	-	150,000	150,000
Fund 122: LCDBG			
122-0000-591-20-03 Engineering Services 122-0000-591-20-04 Consultants	-	38,500 75,000	38,500 75,000
Fund 140: Airport Maintenance Projects			
140-0000-432-04-00 State Grant 140-0000-591-26-03 Repairs/Buildings and Grounds	-	500,000 500,000	
Fund 144 - LED Site Development			
144-0000-431-09-00 Local Grant 144-0000-491-71-00 Transfer from Capital Improvemen 144-0000-591-20-04 Consultants	ts ·	20,000 20,000 40,000	20,000

THIS ORDINANCE was introduced on January 26, 2015 and published in the *Natchitoches Times* on January 31, 2015.

The above Ordinance having been duly advertised in accordance with law and a public hearing had on same, was put to a vote by the Mayor and the vote was recorded as follows:

THEREFORE, Mayor Posey declared the Ordinance passed by a vote of 5 Ayes to 0 Nays this 9th day of February 2015.

AYES: Payne, Nielsen, Mims, Stamey, Morrow

NAYS: None ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: None

LEE POSEY, MAYOR

OON MIMS, MAYOR PRO TEMPORE

Delivered to the Mayor the 10th day of February 2015 at 10:00 a.m.

The following Resolution was introduced by Mr. Payne and Seconded by Mr. Nielsen as follows, to –wit:

RESOLUTION NO. <u>008</u> OF 2015

RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2015 AS AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY MONTH IN THE CITY OF NATCHITOCHES

WHEREAS, the history of our great country has been written by men and women of every race, religion and ethnic background and African American History Month gives us the opportunity to recognize the extraordinary contributions African Americans have made to the rich cultural history of our nation; and

WHEREAS, we also recognize the courage and tenacity of so many hard-working African Americans whose legacies are woven into the fabric of our country; and

WHEREAS, we as a country must continue to encourage and demand our children to reach for the full measure of their potential and ambitions through education; and

WHEREAS, each February we recognize African American History Month to reflect upon how far we have come as a Nation and community and what challenges remain; and

WHEREAS, this year's theme is, "A Century of Black Life, History and Culture" chronicling the important contributions by African-Americans to art, literature, sports and pop culture.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MAYOR LEE POSEY, Mayor of the City of Natchitoches hereby proclaim February 2015 as

AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY MONTH

in the City of Natchitoches and call upon all the citizens of Natchitoches to honor and respect the significant contributions African Americans have made to our City and Nation.

This Resolution was then presented for a vote, and the vote was recorded as follows:

AYES: Payne, Nielsen, Mims, Stamey, Morrow

NAYS: None ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: None

THEREUPON, Mayor Lee Posey declared the Resolution passed by a vote of $\underline{5}$ Ayes to

 $\underline{0}$ Nays on this 9^{th} day of February, 2015.

LEE POSEY, MAYOR

The following Ordinance was Introduced by Ms. Morrow and Seconded by Mr. Nielsen as follows, to-wit:

ORDINANCE NO. <u>007</u> OF 2015

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF NATCHITOCHES TO AWARD THE BID FOR THE REHABILITATION OF THE CITY POOL (BID NO. 0560)

WHEREAS, Resolution No.122 of 2014 was passed by the Natchitoches City Council on December 8, 2014 authorizing the Mayor to advertise for bids for the Rehabilitation of the City Pool (Bid No. 0560); and

WHEREAS, this bid was advertised in the *Natchitoches Times* on December 13, December 18 and December 25, 2014 in accordance with law; and

WHEREAS, one bid proposals were received and opened as follows:

(1) Robin Ewing Pool Supplies, Inc.	\$214,699.00
Alexandria, LA	\$214,699

WHEREAS, on January 21, 2015 the appointed committee of Pat Jones, Director of Finance; Edd Lee, Director of Purchasing; Randy LaCaze, Director of Community Development, and Don Mims, Councilman reviewed the bid proposals for the Rehabilitation of the City Pool (Bid No. 0560); and

WHEREAS, the above appointed committee members unanimously recommend the City award the bid to the lowest bidder Robin Ewing Pool Supplies, Inc., Alexandria, LA in the amount of \$214,699.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Honorable Lee Posey, Mayor, is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to sign any and all documents necessary for acceptance of this bid.

THIS ORDINANCE was introduced on January 26, 2015 and published in the *Natchitoches Times* on January 31, 2015.

The above Ordinance having been duly advertised in accordance with law and public hearing had on same, was put to a vote by the Mayor and the vote was recorded as follows:

AYES:

Payne, Nielsen, Mims, Stamey, Morrow

NAYS:

None

ABSENT:

None

ABSTAIN:

None

THEREUPON, Mayor Lee Posey declared the Ordinance passed by a vote of $\underline{5}$ Ayes to $\underline{0}$ Nays this 9th day of February, 2015.

LEE POSEY, MAYOR

DON MIMS, MAYOR PRO TEMPORE

Delivered to the Mayor on the 10th day of February, 2015 at 10:00 A.M.

January 21, 2015

Mayor Lee Posey City Hall Natchitoches, LA 71457

Dear Mayor Posey,

The appointed committee of Pat Jones, Edd Lee, Randy LaCaze and Don Mims, has reviewed the engineer's recommendation submitted by Mr. Randal Smoak, Professional Engineer, with Cothran, Graff, Smoak Engineering, Inc., Shreveport, LA, on Bid # 0560, for the Rehabilitation of City Pool project.

The committee was unanimous in its decision to award the bid to the lowest bidder, Robin Ewing Pools, Inc., Alexandria, LA in the amount of \$214,699.00. Only one bid was received.

All bids are kept at the City Purchasing Department, 1400 Sabine Street, Natchitoches, LA 71457. Anyone desiring to view the bids may do so at that location.

We request ratification of this award at the City Council meeting on January 26, 2015.

Sincerely,

Pat Jones (/

Director of Finance

Fdd Lee

Director of Purchasing

Don Wime

Councilwoman At Large

Randy LaCaze

Director of Community Development

The following Ordinance was Introduced by Mr. Nielsen and Seconded by Mr. Stamey as follows, to-wit:

ORDINANCE NO. <u>008</u> OF 2015

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF NATCHITOCHES TO AWARD THE BID FOR THE ELECTRIC DISTRIBUTION EXTENSION ALONG LA 478 TO I-49

(BID NO. 0561)

WHEREAS, Resolution No.121 of 2014 was passed by the Natchitoches City Council on December 8, 2014 authorizing the Mayor to advertise for bids for the Electric Distribution Extension along LA 478 to I-49 (Bid No. 0561); and

WHEREAS, this bid was advertised in the Natchitoches Times on December 13, December 18 and December 25, 2014 in accordance with law; and

WHEREAS, three bid proposals were received and opened as follows:

(1) T & D Solution, Inc. Alexandria, LA	\$40,000.00
(2) Cecil D. Gassiott, LLC Alexandria, LA	\$57,290.00
(3) Chain Electric Company Hattiesburg, MS	\$ 78,286.32

WHEREAS, on January 21, 2015 the appointed committee of Pat Jones, Director of Finance; Edd Lee, Director of Purchasing; Dale Nielsen, Councilman; and Bryan Wimberly, Utility Director reviewed the bid proposals for the Electric Distribution Extension along LA 478 to I-49 (Bid No. 0561); and

WHEREAS, the above appointed committee members unanimously recommend the City award the bid to the lowest bidder T & D Solution, Inc. of Alexandria, LA in the amount of \$40,000.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Honorable Lee Posey, Mayor, is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to sign any and all documents necessary for acceptance of this bid.

THIS ORDINANCE was introduced on January 26, 2015 and published in the Natchitoches Times on January 31, 2015.

The above Ordinance having been duly advertised in accordance with law and public hearing had on same, was put to a vote by the Mayor and the vote was recorded as follows:

AYES: Payne, Nielsen, Mims, Stamey, Morrow

NAYS: None ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: None THEREUPON, Mayor Lee Posey declared the Ordinance passed by a vote of 5 Ayes to

 $\underline{0}$ Nays this 9^{th} day of February, 2015.

LEE POSEY, MAYOR

DON MIMS, MAYOR PRO TEMPORE

Delivered to the Mayor on the 10th day of February, 2015 at 10:00 A.M.

January 21, 2015

Mayor Lee Posey City Hall Natchitoches, LA 71457

Dear Mayor Posey,

The appointed committee of Pat Jones, Edd Lee, Bryan Wimberly and Dale Nielsen, has reviewed the engineer's recommendation submitted by Mr. Randal Smoak, Professional Engineer, with Cothran, Graff, Smoak Engineering, Inc., Shreveport, LA, on Bid # 0561, for the Electric Distribution Extension along LA-478.

The committee was unanimous in its decision to award the bid to the lowest bidder, T & D Solutions, LLC, Alexandria, LA in the amount of \$40,000.00. The other bids received were from Cecil Gassiott, LLC, Alexandria, LA in the amount of \$57,290.00 and Chain Electric Co., Hattiesburg, MS in the amount of \$78,286.32.

All bids are kept at the City Purchasing Department, 1400 Sabine Street, Natchitoches, LA 71457. Anyone desiring to view the bids may do so at that location.

We request ratification of this award at the City Council meeting on January 26, 2015.

Sincerely

Pat Jones

Director of Finance

Edd Lee

Director of Purchasing

Dale Nielsen

Councilman Dist #2

Bryan Wimberly

Director of Utilities

The next scheduled City Council meeting will be February 23, 2015.

The offices of the City of Natchitoches will be closed Monday, February 1, 2015 in honor of President's Day.

Ms. Morrow announced the 3rd Annual Taste of Culture Parade was going to be on February 21, 2014 at 12:30 p.m. The parade will start at the corner of Martin Luther King and Trudeau Street. There will also be a Black History Program on February 28, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. at the Natchitoches Arts Center. The community is invited to participate in these events.

With no further discussion, the Mayor made a motion for adjournment and all were in favor.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:38 p.m.

LEE POSEY, MAYOR

DON MIMS, MAYOR PRO TEMPORE